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Re: Enclosed Statement of Substance of the Interview
U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/685,026
Attorney Docket No.: YOR920000165US1
Our Reference: YOR.203

Dear Examiner Hoffman:

Enclosed for filing is a Statement of Substance of the Interview for the interview conducted on September 1, 2004, in compliance with MPEP § 713.04.

Thank you for your kind consideration on this case.

Very truly yours,



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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Marco MARTENS, et al.

Serial No.: 09/685,026

Group Art Unit: 2136

Filed: October 10, 2000

Examiner: Hoffman, Brandon S.

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR PRODUCING WISE CARDS

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

STATEMENT OF SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW

Sir:

Please review and enter the following remarks summarizing the interview conducted on September 1, 2004, for which an Interview Summary was mailed on September 3, 2004.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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REMARKS

As a preliminary matter, Applicants' representative would like to thank the Examiner Hoffman and Examiner Revak for courtesies extended in the personal interview conducted on September 1, 2004. An Examiner's Interview Summary Record (PTOL-413) was mailed September 3, 2004. Applicants submit this Statement to comply with the requirements of M.P.E.P. § 713.04.

In the interview, the following was discussed:

A. Identification of claims discussed:

Claims 1-27.

B. Identification of prior art discussed:

U.S. Patent No. 5,993,501 – Leppek

U.S. Patent No. 6,466,671 – Maillard, et al.; and

Publication “Applied Cryptography: Protocols, Algorithms, and Source Code in C,”
Second Edition, pp. 466-474 - Schneier

C. Identification of principal proposed amendments:

The dependent claims and specification were discussed to evaluate whether incorporation of such subject would overcome the prior art of record and advance prosecution.

D. Brief Identification of principal arguments:

Applicants' representative discussed the claimed invention and the cited references.

Applicants' representative also discussed the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed on July 1, 2004, in the above application, which Applicants believe should overcome the applied references.

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E. Results of the Interview:

The motivation to combine references was discussed. The Examiner maintained that "it would have been obvious to combine Leppek and Maillard" (e.g., see Interview Summary mailed September 3, 2004).

Applicants' respectfully argued that it would not have been obvious to combine the cited references to arrive at the claimed invention for the reasons set forth in the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed on July 1, 2004.


F. Conclusion:

For the reasons set forth in the Amendment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111 filed on July 1, 2004, the Examiner is respectfully requested to reconsider and withdraw the prior art rejections and pass the above application to issue at the earliest possible time.

It is believed that no petition or fee is required. However, if the USPTO deems otherwise, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in fees or to credit any overpayment in fees to Assignee's Deposit Account No. 50-0510.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: September 10, 2004


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CERTIFICATE OF TRANSMISSION

I certify that I transmitted the enclosed Statement of Substance of Interview to Examiner
Brandon S. Hoffman, via facsimile to (703) 872-9306, on September 10, 2004.


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